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NEOPLASTIC CELLS TO BE USED TO MONITOR MINIMAL  
DISEASE LEVELS USING FLOW CYTOMETRY MEASUREMENTS

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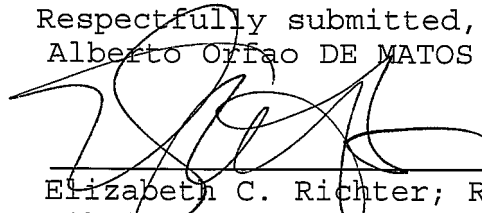
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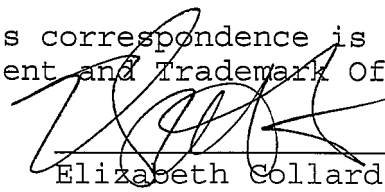
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